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Serial No.: 09/841,673  
Filed: April 24, 2001  
For: Interchangeable Keyboard with Self Defining Keys  
Art Group No.: 6495  
Examiner: Leonid Shapiro

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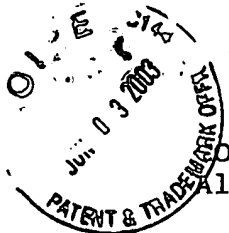
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Applicant: John S. Houston : GROUP ART UNIT 6495  
Serial No. 09/841,673 : Examiner Leonid Shapiro  
Filed: April 24, 2001 : May 13, 2003  
Title: Interchangeable : James E. Murray  
Keyboard With Self Defining : 69 South Gate Drive  
Keys : Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 3/07/03, please amend  
the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 7.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1 1. (Amended) Data entry device comprising:  
2 a keyboard having a plurality of multifunction key  
3 positions;  
4 a plurality of keys each key containing an inscription on  
5 the keycap thereof representing a character or function and  
6 containing a multi-bit binary code therein identifying the  
7 character or function, said keys being capable of being  
8 positioned in any one of the key positions in the keyboard, said  
9 keys being responsive to user contact to the keycaps thereof;  
10 a circuit matrix disposed below said keyboard said circuit  
11 matrix being capable of detecting the binary code when one of the  
12 keys is contacted to produce an electrical signal representative  
13 of the binary code associated with the contacted key;